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Standardizing management of bond issuance by overseas institutions, deepening reform and opening-up of bond market

To promote the opening-up of the bond market and standardize the bond issuance by overseas institutions, the PBC and MOF, with the approval of the State Council, recently issued the Interim Measures for the Administration of Bonds Issued by Overseas Issuers on the National Interbank Bond Market (PBC, MOF Announcement [2018] No.16). Meanwhile, the Provisional Regulations on RMB Bond Issuance by International Development Organizations (PBC, MOF, NDRC, CSRC Bulletin [2010] No.10) was officially abolished.

Promoting overseas institutions to issue bonds in China is an important step of further opening up the bond market. Since international development organizations first issued RMB bond in the Chinese interbank bond market in 2005, their bond financing channels in China have been broadened all the time with a growing diversity of bond issuers. By the end of August 2018, overseas institutions have issued RMB178.16 billion bonds in the interbank bond market accumulatively, and the issuers have expanded from super national development organizations to foreign governments, overseas financial institutions and non-financial enterprises.

On the basis of summarizing experience from earlier pilot projects and drawing on international experience, the Announcement further clarified the conditions and application and registration procedures for overseas institutions to issue bonds in the interbank bond market, and set down rules on matters such as information disclosure, issuance registration, depository settlement, opening of RMB account, capital exchange, and investor protection.

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Green Finance Standards taskforce of China Financial Standardization Technical Committee holds first plenary meeting in Beijing

The Green Finance Standards taskforce of China Financial Standardization Technical Committee recently held the first plenary meeting in Beijing. The meeting reviewed and adopted the Regulations for Green Finance Standards Taskforce, voted on the leader and deputy leader of the taskforce, the basic framework of green finance standard system and six work groups, and assigned work on the next steps for the formulation of green finance standards.

The meeting stressed that to build the green finance standard system, we must

make full considerations for the actual situation of China's economic development, its industrial characteristics and resource conditions, follow the direction of structural adjustment, and serve the national green development strategy. We should also fully respect the market laws and international consensus, and make sure that the standards can promote fair market competition while being compatible with international rules. The formulation of standards should follow the basic principles of fairness, integrity, consistency, openness and foresight.

The meeting required all member units to work in a coordinated way and go all out in formulating the green finance standards in terms of specifying working mechanism, determining the timetable and roadmap, promoting standard implementation, strengthening supervision and assessment, and intensifying international cooperation. They should all contribute their wisdom and strength to creating a high-quality green finance standard system.

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